

REMARKS

In this response, Applicant has amended claims 9 and 24. Claims 9-14 and 24-26 remain for consideration in the application.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 9-14 and 24-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over McConnell et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,986,952) in view of Raynham (U.S. Patent No. 5,127,014).

Applicant has amended claims 9 and 24 to further define over the cited art. As amended, claims 9 and 24 each recite that the error correction is made without using redundancy techniques. Each and every embodiment of McConnell requires redundancy to operate. As such, the present claims simplify various methods, and differ from the cited art. No combination of McConnell and Raynham discloses or suggests the claims as amended.

Applicant's arguments and comments from its previous responses remain applicable, and are incorporated herein by reference.

The claims are allowable.


CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, Applicant believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. Please charge any further fees deemed necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501373.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact the undersigned at (612) 312-2203.

Respectfully submitted,

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